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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C.§121

This paper is filed in response to the Office communication dated December 5, 2005. It is respectfully requested that the election below be entered with traverse and that the application be examined on the merits. In addition, a request for a one-month extension of time extending the due date for this response from January 5, 2006 to February 5, 2006 is submitted herewith. In the event that further extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. If any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, authorization to charge such fees is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.